

REMARKS

Upon entry of the amendments, claims 1-3, 7-9, 11-13, 15-17, and 19 will be pending in the application. Claim 1 has been amended to address the 112 rejection and the comments set forth in the Office Action (“paper rollers for paper transferring” was amended as suggested, however, Applicants have not amended “cleaning means for removing paper powders” because this terminology is consistent with the specification and would be understood by the artisan as noted in the Office Action).

Applicants request reconsideration of the rejections detailed in the Office Action based upon the following comments.

Claim Objection

Claim 19 is objected to as being an improper dependent claim. The Office Action sets forth that claim 19 fails to further limit claim 1.

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this objection. The wear resistance recited in claim 19 refers to a particular physical structure of the single photosensitive layer rather than a mode of use. The single-layer photosensitive layer must have a wear resistance (i.e. a physical property) that is not more than 0.0004. This feature is not set forth in claim 1.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-3, 7-9, 11-13, 15-17, and 19 are rejected as indefinite because of an antecedent basis issue in claim 1. Applicants have amended “the toner image” to “a toner image” and request the withdrawal of the rejection.

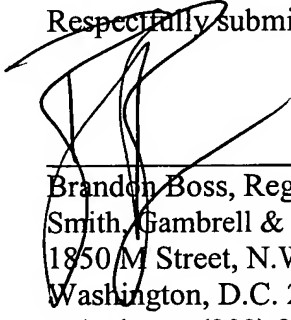
CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request allowance of the application. If any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this response, such as fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 02-4300. Any overpayment can be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-4300.

Respectfully submitted,

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